To: The Planning and Development Committee

Re: Water Bill SB 422, Hearing scheduled for March 11, 2016

From: Sandra L. Meyer and Robert Fair

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We are strongly opposed to the Niagara Bottling proposed facility and how the MDC has played a role in facilitating a discount to accommodate Niagara's business case.

We are in support of Beth Bye's substitute Water Bill SB422.

- -We need language which favors and protects residents, not water bottlers in times of drought. The export out of state of "our" water would need to stop.
- -We would like to see the water rate discount and "special sewer service charge" discount rescinded. We do not need to incentivize companies coming to our community to make money off of our precious resources.
- -The MDC needs better oversight. We would like to see the re-establishment of a citizen MDC watch dog committee.

Sincerely,

Sandra L. Meyer and Robert Fair